

REMARKS

Upon entry of this Amendment, Claims 1 to 6, 9 to 14, 16, 17, 22 to 27, 30 to 36, and 39 to 50 will be pending. Claims 1 to 6, 9 to 14, 16, 17, 22 to 24, 26, 27, 30 to 36, 39, 41 to 49 are amended. Claims 7, 8, 15, 18 to 21, 28, 29, 37, and 38 are cancelled. Claim 50 is new. Support for the claim amendments and the new claim may be found throughout the specification as filed. Therefore, no new matter is added.

Per the Examiner's request, Claims 47 and 49 have been amended to indicate the proper status identifier. Additionally, the text of deleted and added subject matter has been correctly indicated in Claims 1, 12, 14, and 32.

This Amendment addresses the issues raised in the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment regarding the amendments to the specification and the claims. For clarity and completeness, this Amendment represents all the amendments to the specification and the claims. This Amendment does not represent the remarks from the Amendment filed on May 22, 2009, which are incorporated from that Amendment in their entirety.

Applicants also note that the current claim set was amended in light of the claim amendments filed on October 23, 2008, which represents the most recent set of entered claims. If the Examiner has any questions regarding the amendments present in the instant response, the Examiner is encouraged to contact the undersigned by telephone in order to facilitate prosecution.

CONCLUSION

In view of the amendments above and the remarks previously submitted (in the Amendment filed on May 22, 2009), Applicants respectfully submit that this application is in condition for allowance and request favorable action thereon. The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at (202) 508-3406 if any additional information is required.

As this response is filed within one month of the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment, Applicants believe that no fee is due. If any fees are required, they may be charged to Deposit Account No. 50-4254, referencing Attorney Docket No. 2912956-029000.

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